CHAPTER NO. 771

HOUSE BILL NO. 3404

By Representative Hargrove

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3317

By Senator Burks

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 34, Chapter 1, Part 1; Title 34, Chapter 3, Part 1 and Title 34, Chapter 6, Part 2, relative to guardianship.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 34-1-107(f), is amended by deleting the first sentence of the subsection and substituting instead the following:

The guardian ad litem shall make a written report to the court at least three (3) days prior to the date set for hearing the matter, which time period may be waived in the judge's discretion.

- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 34-6-204(a)(2), is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting instead the following new subsection:
 - (A) Notwithstanding the provisions of the Uniform Durable Power of Attorney Act, title 34, chapter 6, part 1, if a court appoints a conservator, guardian of the estate or other fiduciary, such fiduciary shall not have the power to revoke or amend a durable power of attorney for healthcare nor replace the attorney in fact designated in such power of attorney.
 - (B) Upon application and good cause shown, when appointing such fiduciary, a court may revoke or amend a durable power of attorney for health care or replace the attorney in fact designated in such power.
 - SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 10, 2004

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 24th day of May 2004

PHIL BREDESEN GOVERNOR